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ORGANIZATION OF WORK

METHODS OF WORK OF THE SUB-COMMISSION

Note by the Secretariat

1. In its resolution 1997/22, entitled "Work of the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities", the Commission on Human Rights requested the Sub-Commission to refrain henceforth from duplicating action by the Commission on Human Rights with regard to country situations under consideration in the public procedures of the Commission and, furthermore, limit action to exceptional cases in which new and particularly grave circumstances arise.

2. At its forty-ninth session, the Sub-Commission, in its decision 1997/113, decided not to adopt resolutions or decisions henceforth under its agenda item entitled "Question of the violation of human rights and fundamental freedoms, including policies of racial discrimination and segregation and of apartheid, in all countries, with particular reference to colonial and other dependent countries and territories: report of the Sub-Commission under Commission on Human Rights resolution 8 (XXIII)" in respect of human rights situations which the Commission on Human Rights was considering under the public procedures for dealing with human rights violations.

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3. In order to assist the Sub-Commission, the secretariat has prepared (annex I) a list of the human rights situations currently under consideration by the Commission under public procedures for dealing with human rights violations.

4. For the information of the Sub-Commission, the secretariat has also prepared (annex II) a list of country situations currently being considered by the Commission under the agenda items entitled "Organization of the work of the session", "The right of peoples to self-determination and its application to peoples under colonial or alien domination or foreign occupation" and "Advisory services and technical cooperation in the field of human rights".

Annex I

HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATIONS BEING CONSIDERED BY THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS UNDER PUBLIC PROCEDURES FOR DEALING WITH HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS

	Commission on Human Rights resolution or decision
Afghanistan	Resolution 1999/9
Bosnia and Herzegovina, Republic of Croatia and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia	Resolution 1999/18
Burundi	Resolution 1999/10
Cuba	Resolution 1999/8
Cyprus	Decision 1999/103
Democratic Republic of the Congo	Resolution 1999/56
East Timor	Chairman's statement of 23 April 1999
Equatorial Guinea	Resolution 1999/19
Israel (under procedures relating to the occupied Arab territories, including Palestine, the occupied Syrian Golan, southern Lebanon and West Bekaa)	Resolutions 1999/5, 1999/6, 1999/7 and 1999/12
Islamic Republic of Iran	Resolution 1999/13
Iraq	Resolution 1999/14
Kosovo	Resolution 1999/2
Myanmar	Resolution 1999/17
Rwanda	Resolution 1999/20
Sierra Leone	Resolution 1999/1
Sudan	Resolution 1999/15

Annex II

COUNTRY SITUATIONS BEING CONSIDERED BY THE COMMISSION UNDER THE AGENDA ITEMS ENTITLED "ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE SESSION", "THE RIGHT OF PEOPLES TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND ITS APPLICATION TO PEOPLES UNDER COLONIAL OR ALIEN DOMINATION OR FOREIGN OCCUPATION" AND "ADVISORY SERVICES AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN RIGHTS"

Agenda item: "Organization of the work of the session"

Colombia	Chairman's statement of 27 April 1999

Agenda item: "The right to self-determination and its application to peoples under colonial or alien domination or foreign occupation"

Occupied Palestine	Resolution 1999/55
Western Sahara	Resolution 1999/4

Agenda item: "Advisory services and technical cooperation in the field of human rights"

Cambodia	Resolution 1999/76
Chad	Decision 1999/102
Haiti	Resolution 1999/77
Somalia	Resolution 1999/75